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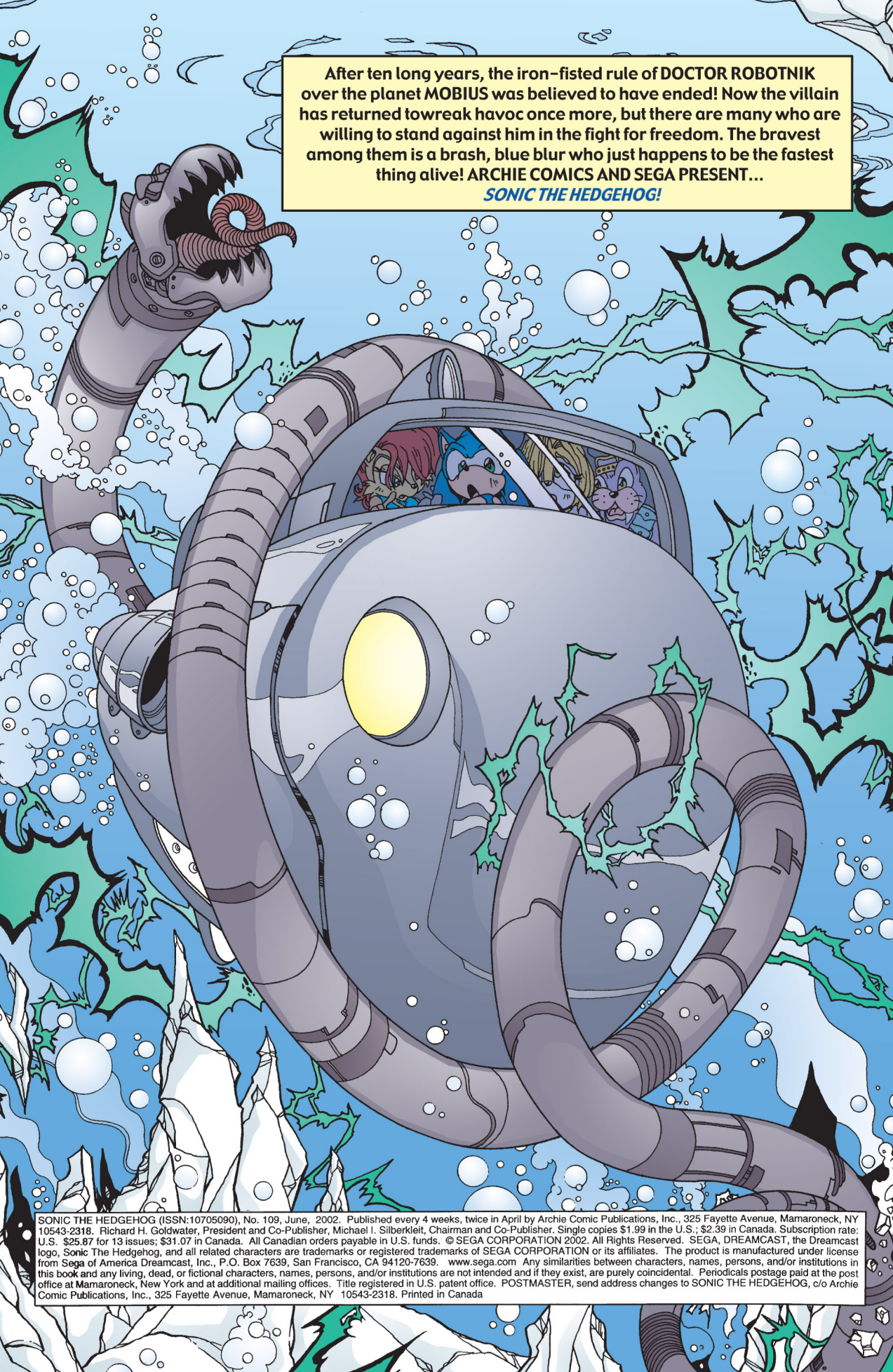
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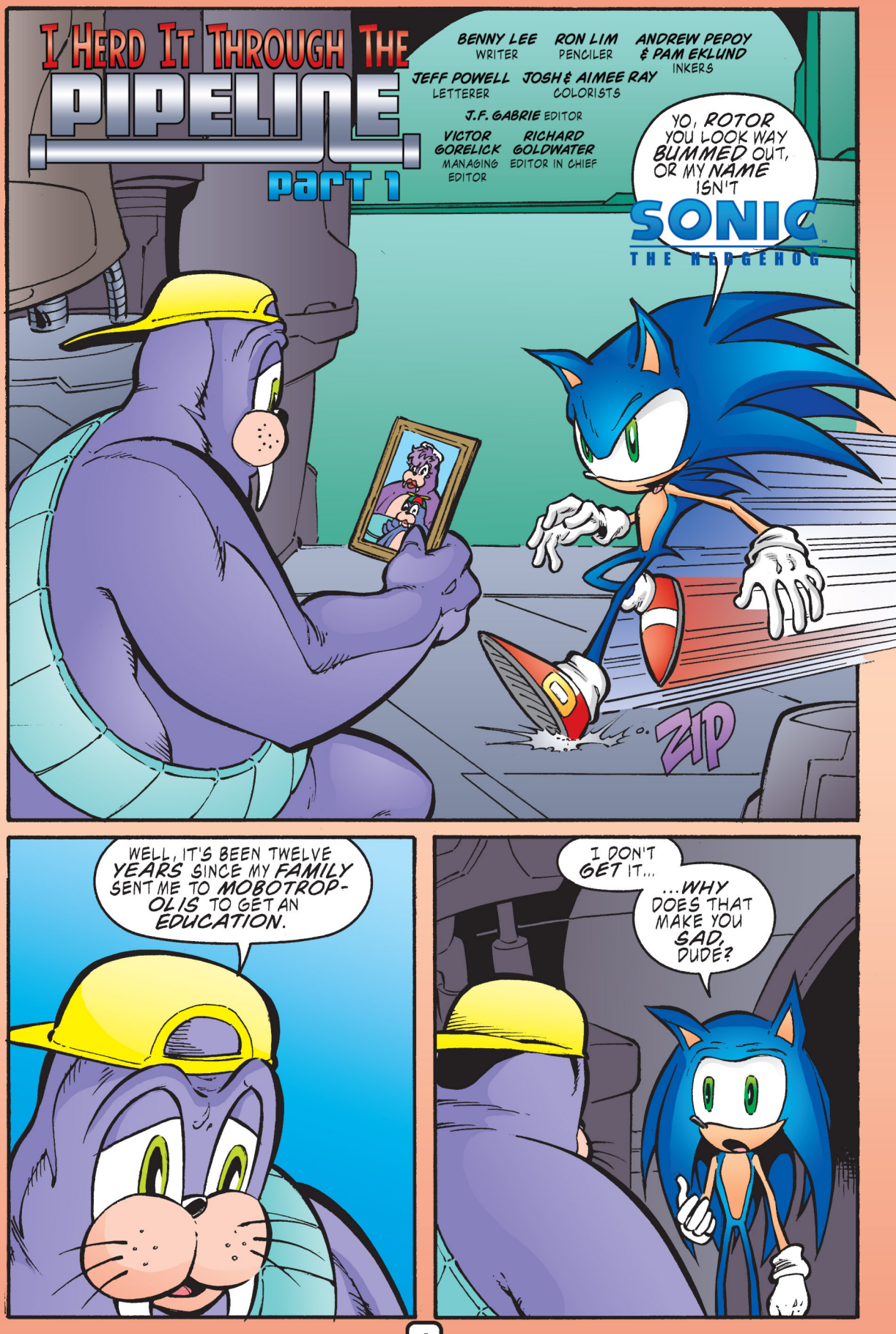
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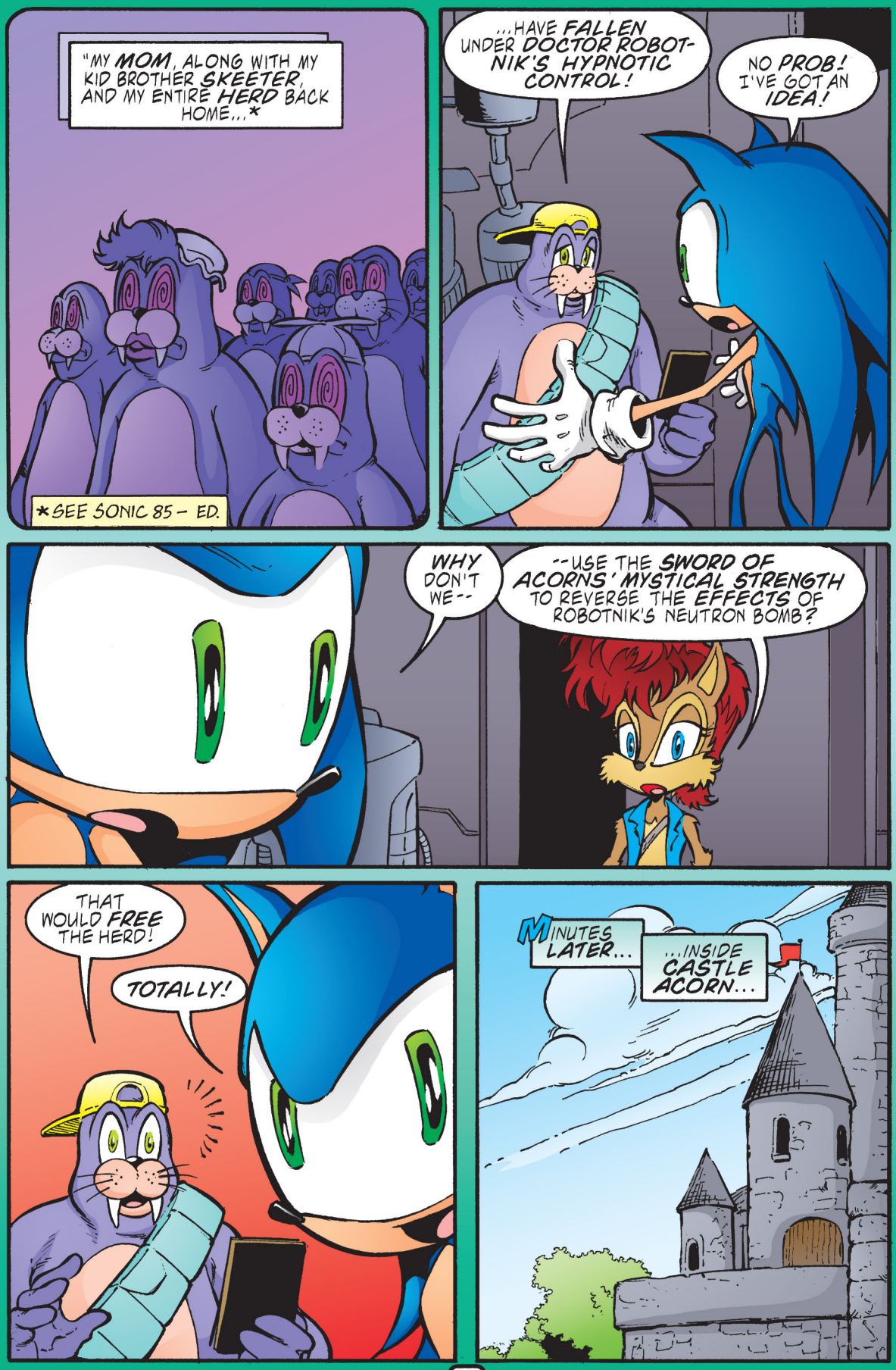
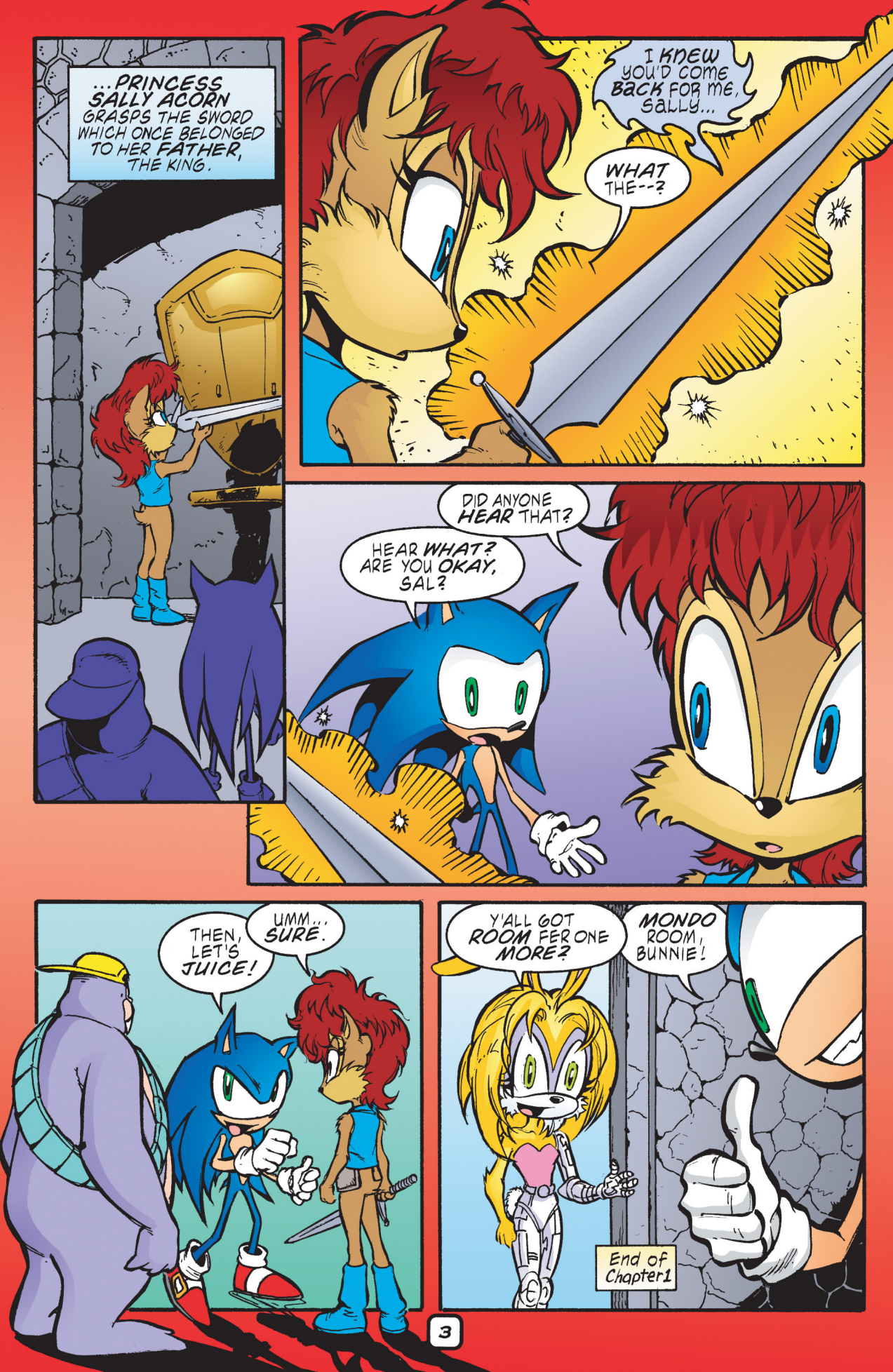
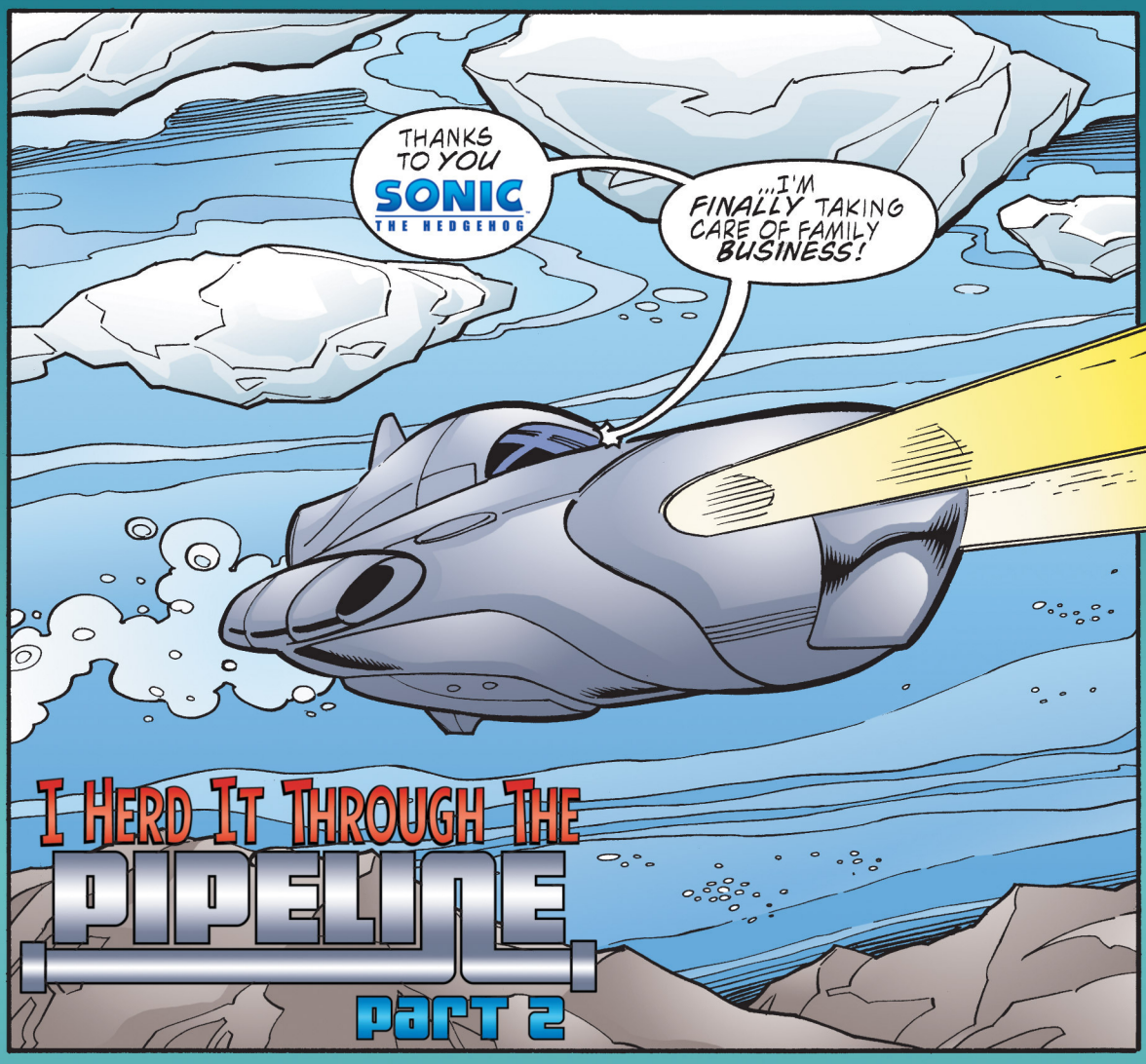
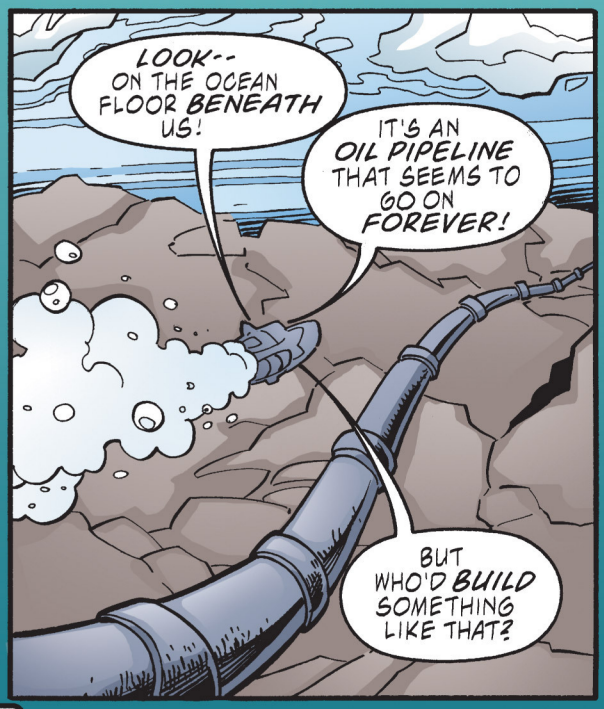
YO, ROTOR YOU LOOK WAY BUMMED OUT, OR MY NAME ISN'T
SONIC
THE HEDGEHOG
ZIP
WELL, IT'S BEEN TWELVE YEARS SINCE MY FAMILY SENT ME TO MOBOTROPOLIS TO GET AN EDUCATION.
I DON'T GET IT...
...WHY DOES THAT MAKE YOU SAD, DUDE?

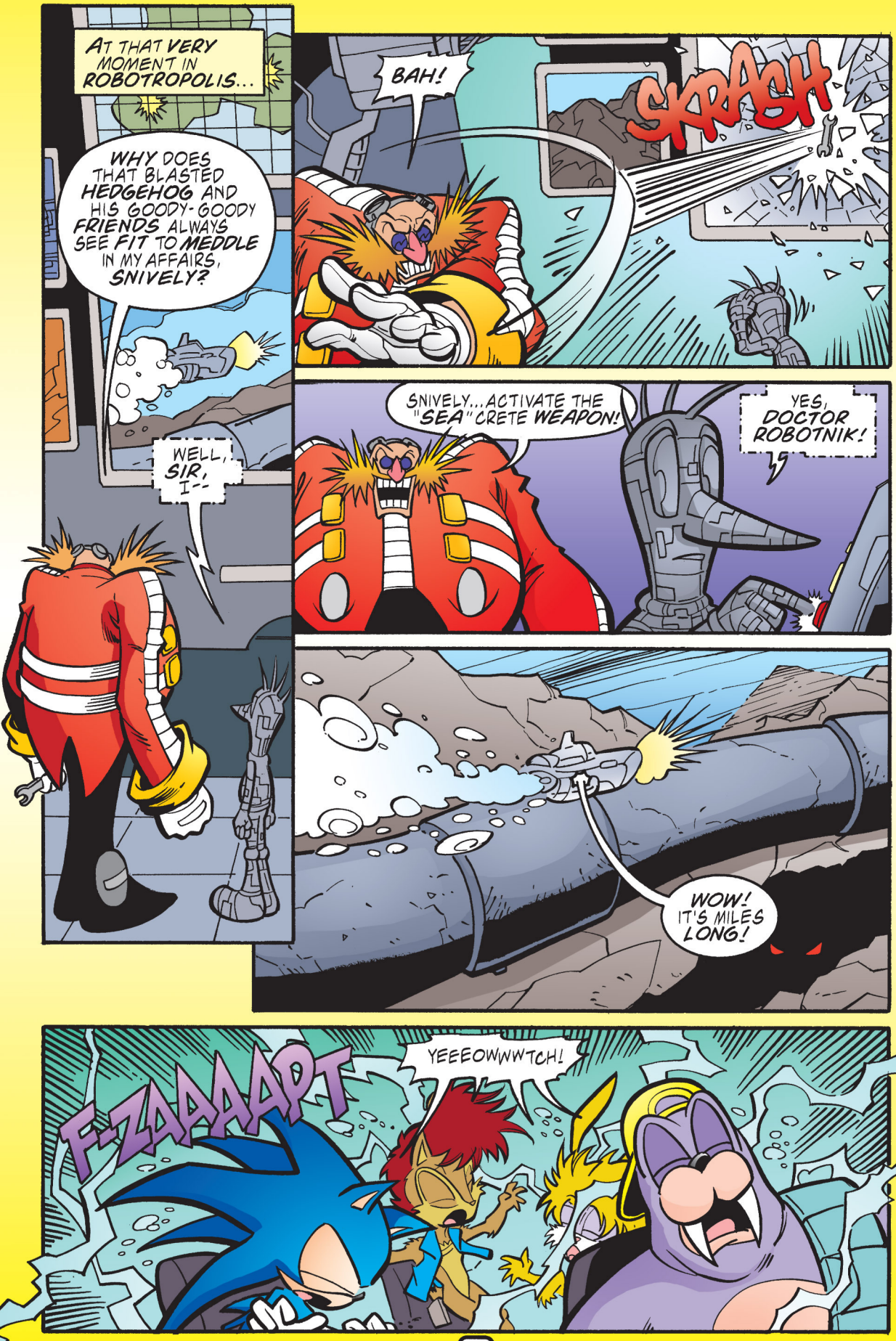

"MY MOM, ALONG WITH MY KID BROTHER SKEETER, AND MY ENTIRE HERD BACK HOME...*
*SEE SONIC 85 – ED.
...HAVE FALLEN UNDER DOCTOR ROBOTNIK'S HYPNOTIC CONTROL!
NO PROB! I'VE GOT AN IDEA!
WHY DON'T WE--
--USE THE SWORD OF ACORNS' MYSTICAL STRENGTH TO REVERSE THE EFFECTS OF ROBOTNIK'S NEUTRON BOMB?
THAT WOULD FREE THE HERD!
TOTALLY!
MINUTES LATER...
...INSIDE CASTLE ACORN...

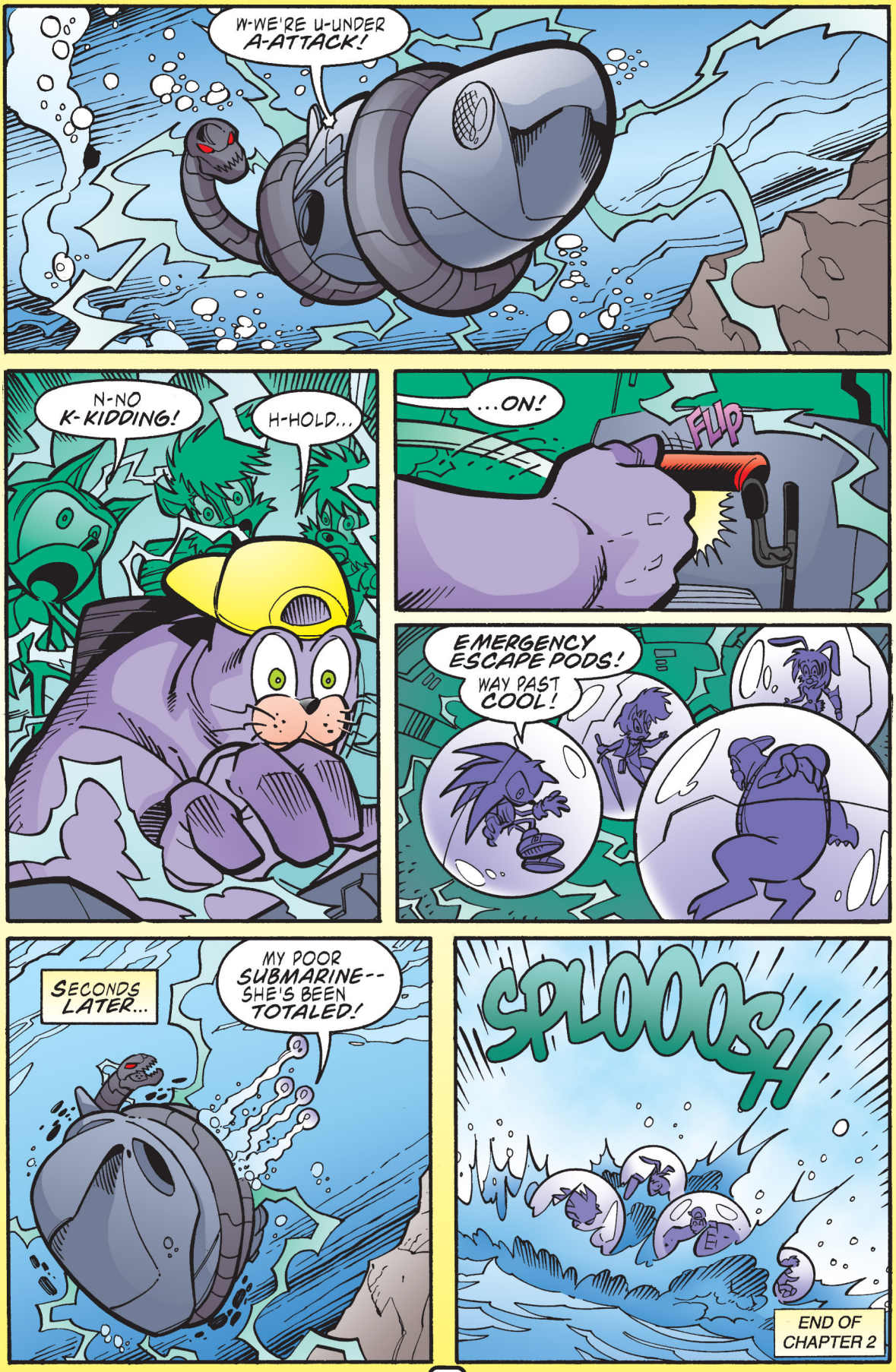

...PRINCESS SALLY ACORN GRASPS THE SWORD WHICH ONCE BELONGED TO HER FATHER, THE KING.
I KNEW YOU'D COME BACK FOR ME, SALLY...
WHAT THE--?
DID ANYONE HEAR THAT?
HEAR WHAT? ARE YOU OKAY, SAL?
THEN, LET'S JUICE!
UMM... SURE.
Y'ALL GOT ROOM FER ONE MORE?
MONDO ROOM, BUNNIE!
End of Chapter1

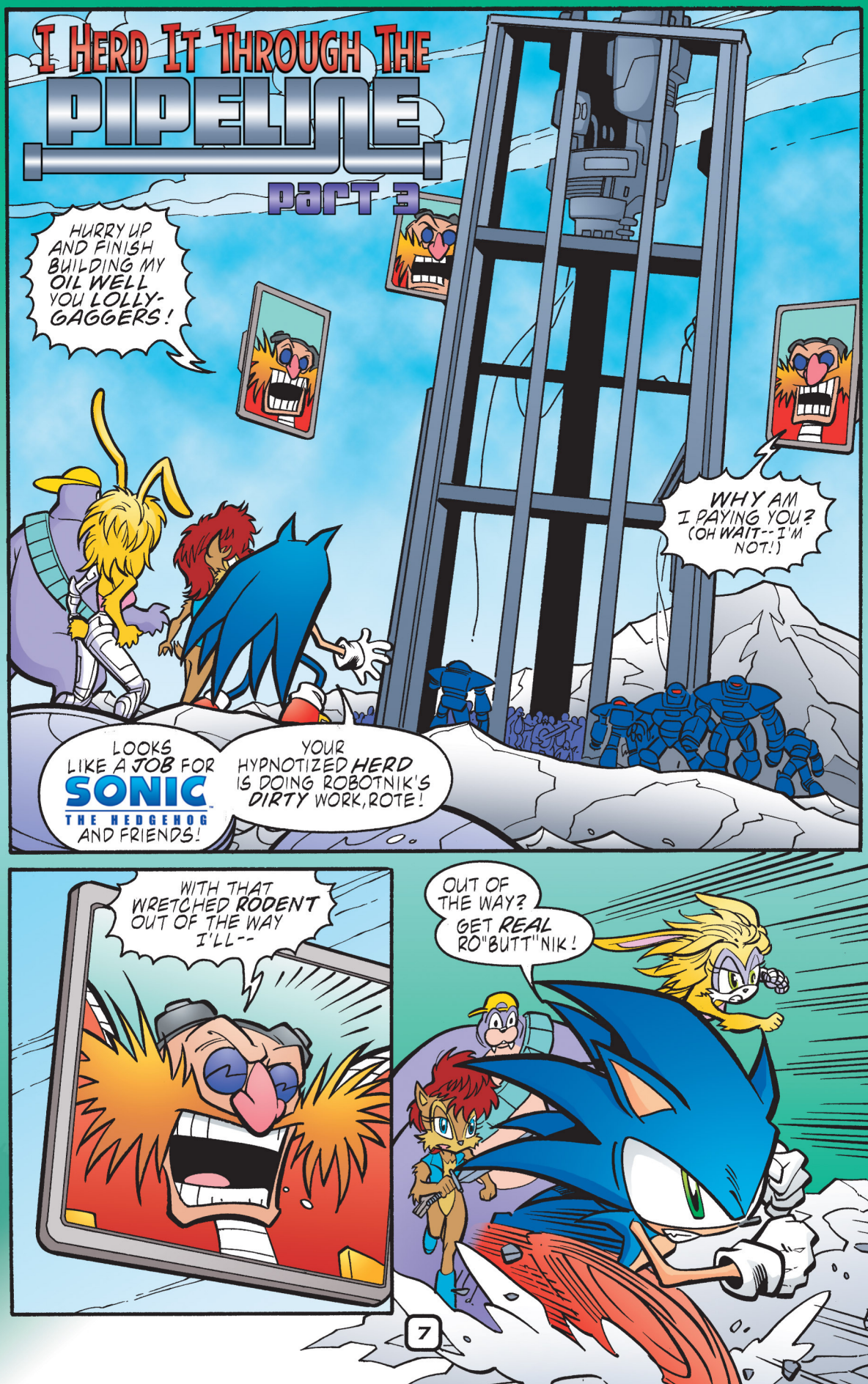

THANKS TO YOU SONIC THE HEDGEHOG
...I'M FINALLY TAKING CARE OF FAMILY BUSINESS!
I HERD IT THROUGH THE PIPELINE
part 2

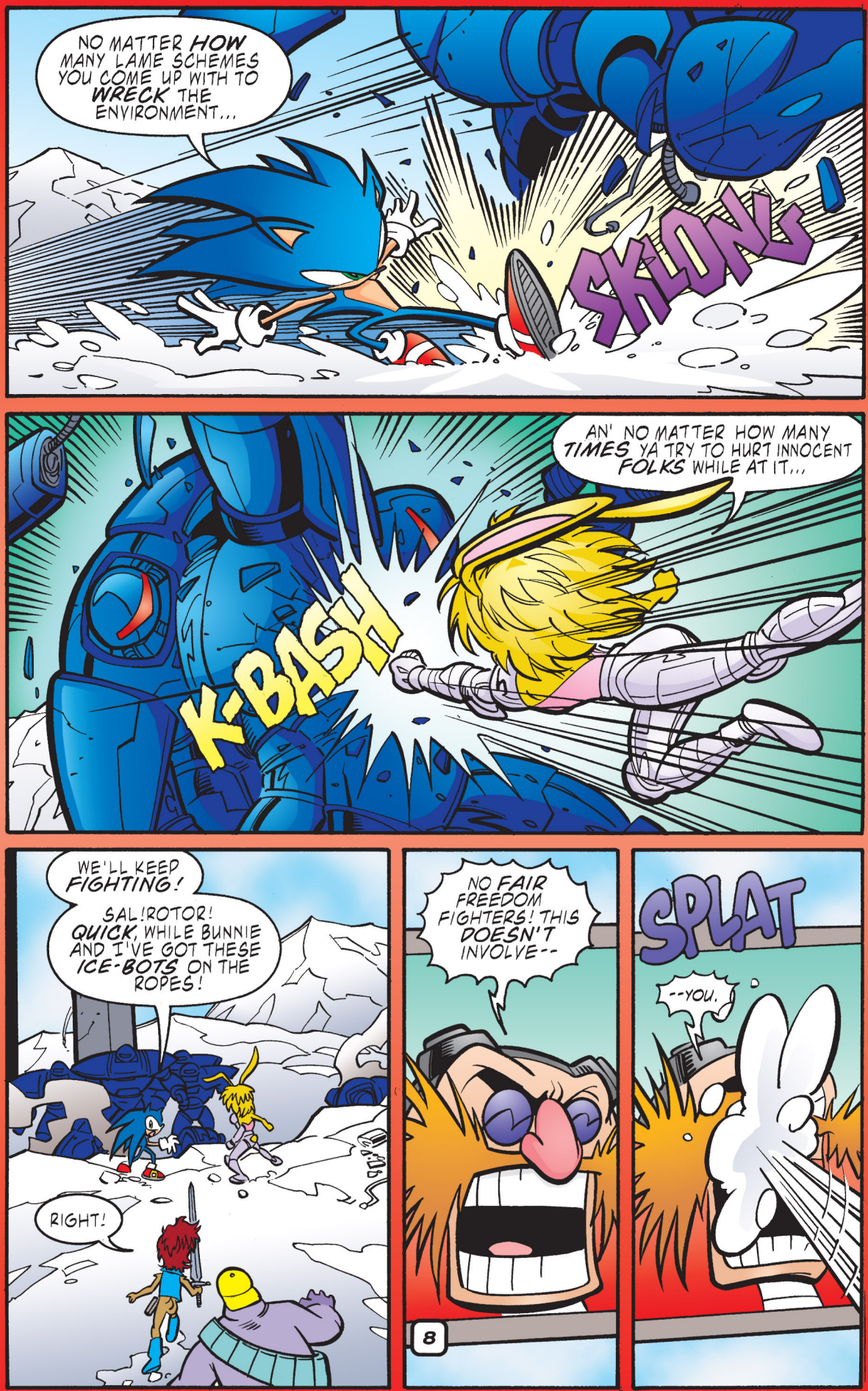
Ohh... I DON'T FEEL SO GOOD...
Y'ALL GOT A BUCKET ON BOARD?
DON'T WORRY! WE'LL BE THERE IN NO...


LOOK-- ON THE OCEAN FLOOR BENEATH US!
IT'S AN OIL PIPELINE THAT SEEMS TO GO ON FOREVER!
BUT WHO'D BUILD SOMETHING LIKE THAT?


AT THAT VERY MOMENT IN ROBOTROPOLIS...
WHY DOES THAT BLASTED HEDGEHOG AND HIS GOODY-GOODY FRIENDS ALWAYS SEE FIT TO MEDDLE IN MY AFFAIRS, SNIVELY?
WELL, SIR, I--
BAH!
SKRASH
SNIVELY...ACTIVATE THE "SEA" CRETE WEAPON!
YES, DOCTOR ROBOTNIK!
WOW! IT'S MILES LONG!
F-ZAAAAPT
YEEEOWWWTCH!


W-WE'RE U-UNDER A-ATTACK!
N-NO K-KIDDING!
H-HOLD...
...ON!
FLIP
EMERGENCY ESCAPE PODS!
WAY PAST COOL!
SECONDS LATER...
MY POOR SUBMARINE-- SHE'S BEEN TOTALED!
SPLOOOSH
END OF CHAPTER 2


I HERD IT THROUGH THE PIPELINE
part 3
HURRY UP AND FINISH BUILDING MY OIL WELL YOU LOLLY-GAGGERS!
WHY AM I PAYING YOU? (OH WAIT-- I'M NOT!)
LOOKS LIKE A JOB FOR SONIC THE HEDGEHOG AND FRIENDS!
YOUR HYPNOTIZED HERD IS DOING ROBOTNIK'S DIRTY WORK, ROTE!
WITH THAT WRETCHED RODENT OUT OF THE WAY I'LL--
OUT OF THE WAY? GET REAL RO"BUTT"NIK!


NO MATTER HOW MANY LAME SCHEMES YOU COME UP WITH TO WRECK THE ENVIRONMENT...
SKLONG!
AN' NO MATTER HOW MANY TIMES YA TRY TO HURT INNOCENT FOLKS WHILE AT IT...
K-BASH
WE'LL KEEP FIGHTING!
SAL! ROTOR! QUICK, WHILE BUNNIE AND I'VE GOT THESE ICE-BOTS ON THE ROPES!
RIGHT!
NO FAIR FREEDOM FIGHTERS! THIS DOESN'T INVOLVE--
SPLAT
--YOU.
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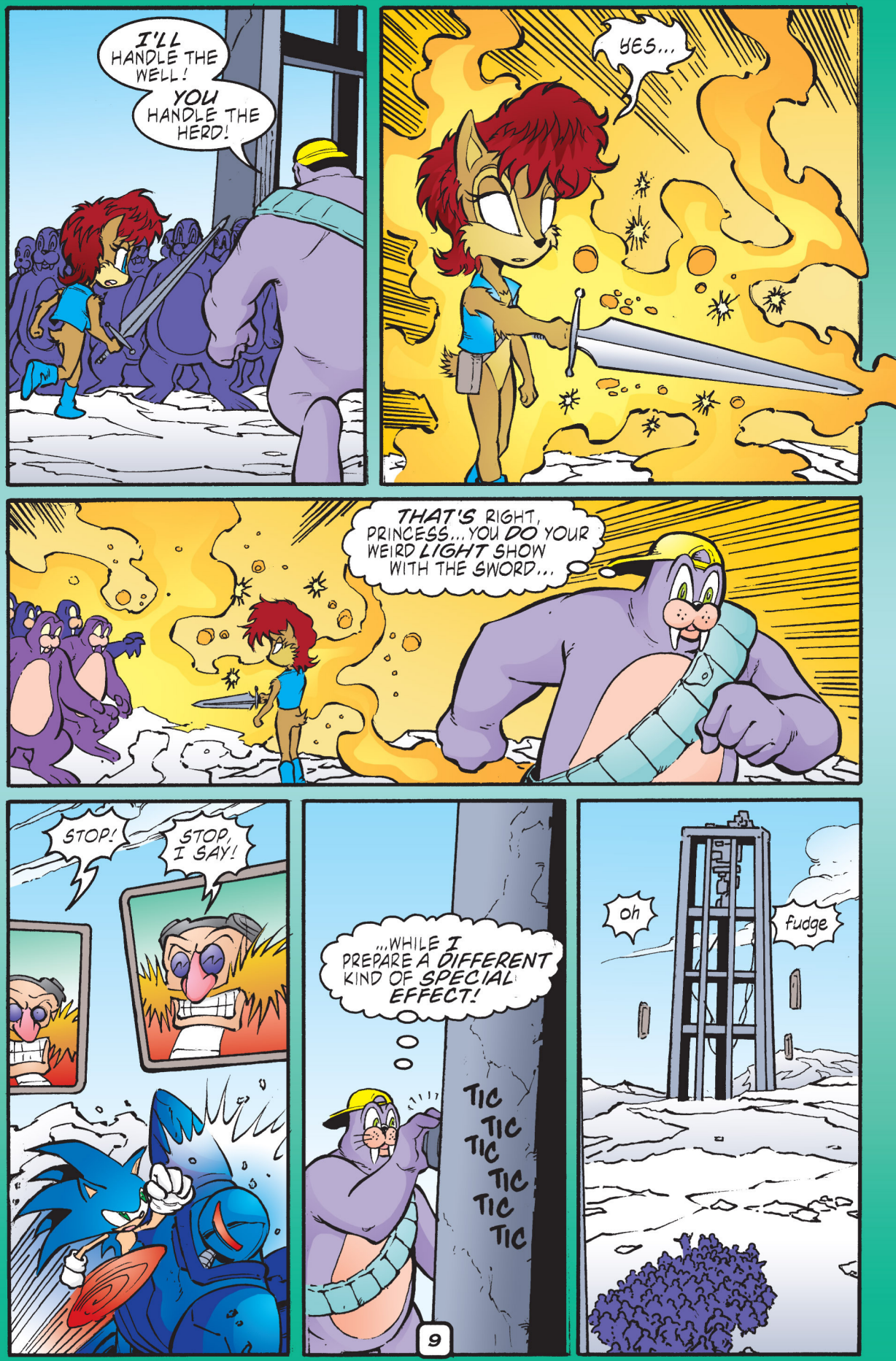
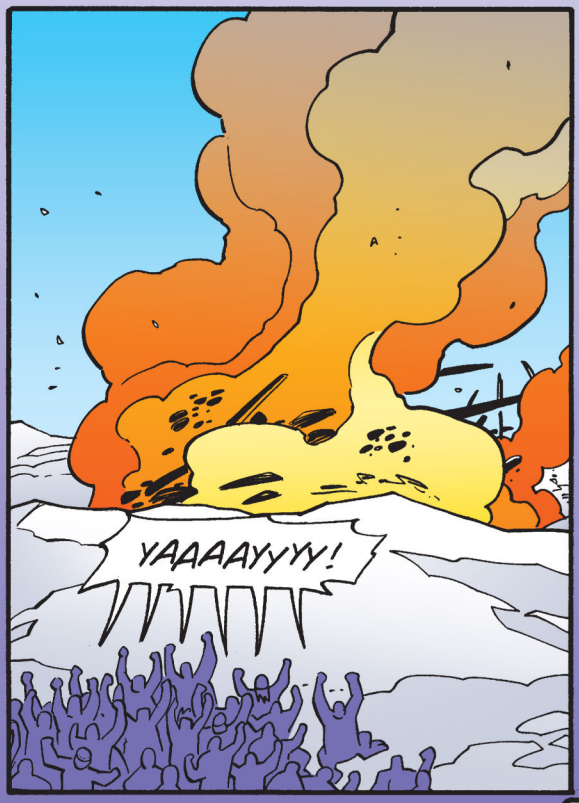
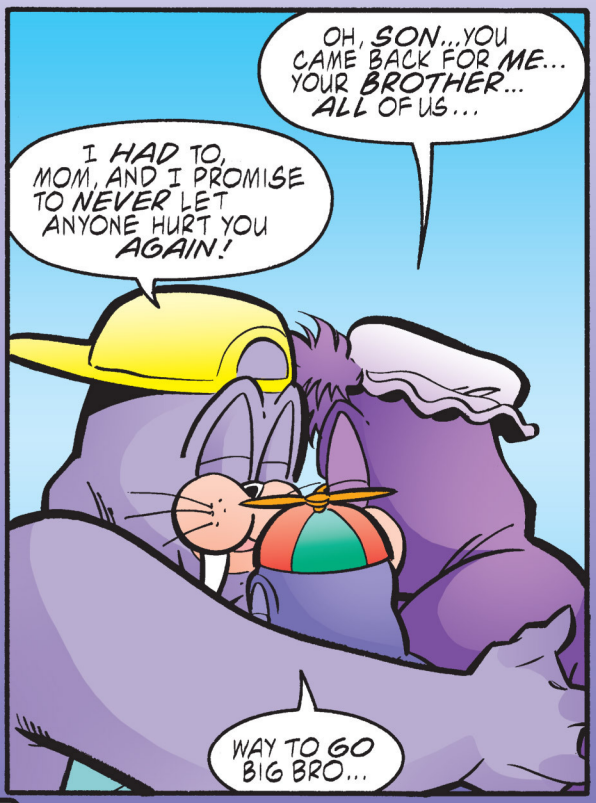
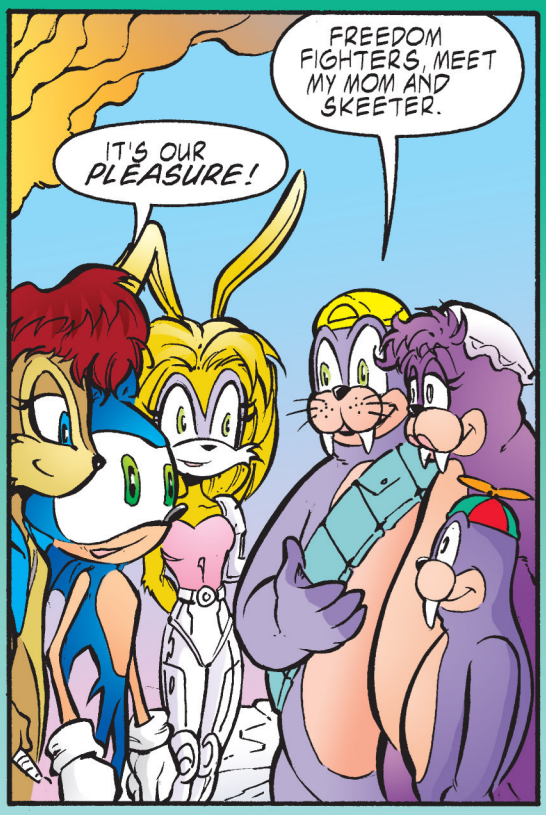

I'LL HANDLE THE WELL!
YOU HANDLE THE HERD!
YES...
THAT'S RIGHT, PRINCESS... YOU DO YOUR WEIRD LIGHT SHOW WITH THE SWORD...
STOP!
STOP, I SAY!
...WHILE I PREPARE A DIFFERENT KIND OF SPECIAL EFFECT!
TIC TIC TIC TIC TIC TIC
oh
fudge

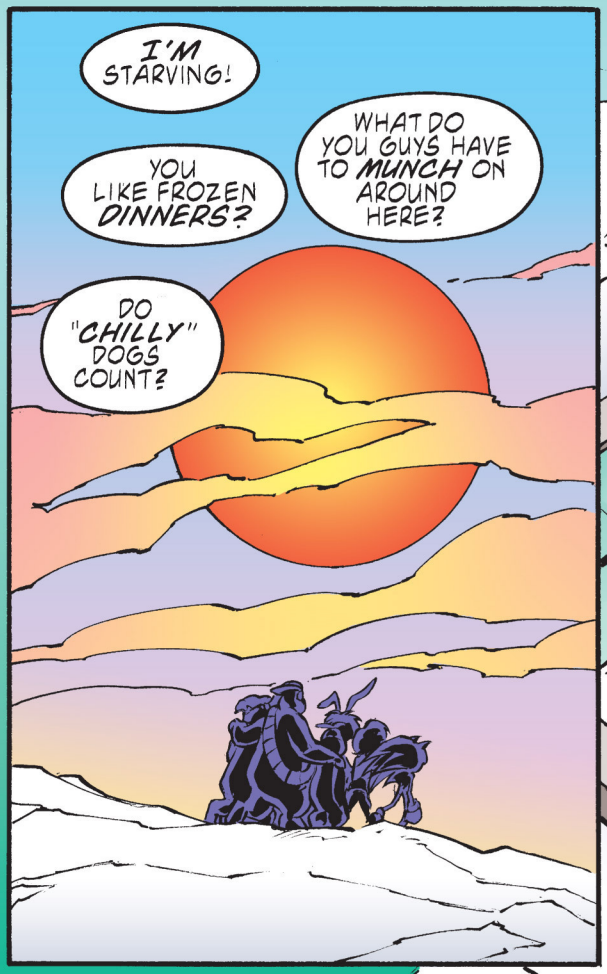
BOOM
I HERD IT THROUGH THE
PIPELINE
CONCLUSION


YAAAAYYYY!


OH, SON... YOU CAME BACK FOR ME... YOUR BROTHER... ALL OF US...
I HAD TO, MOM, AND I PROMISE TO NEVER LET ANYONE HURT YOU AGAIN!
WAY TO GO BIG BRO...

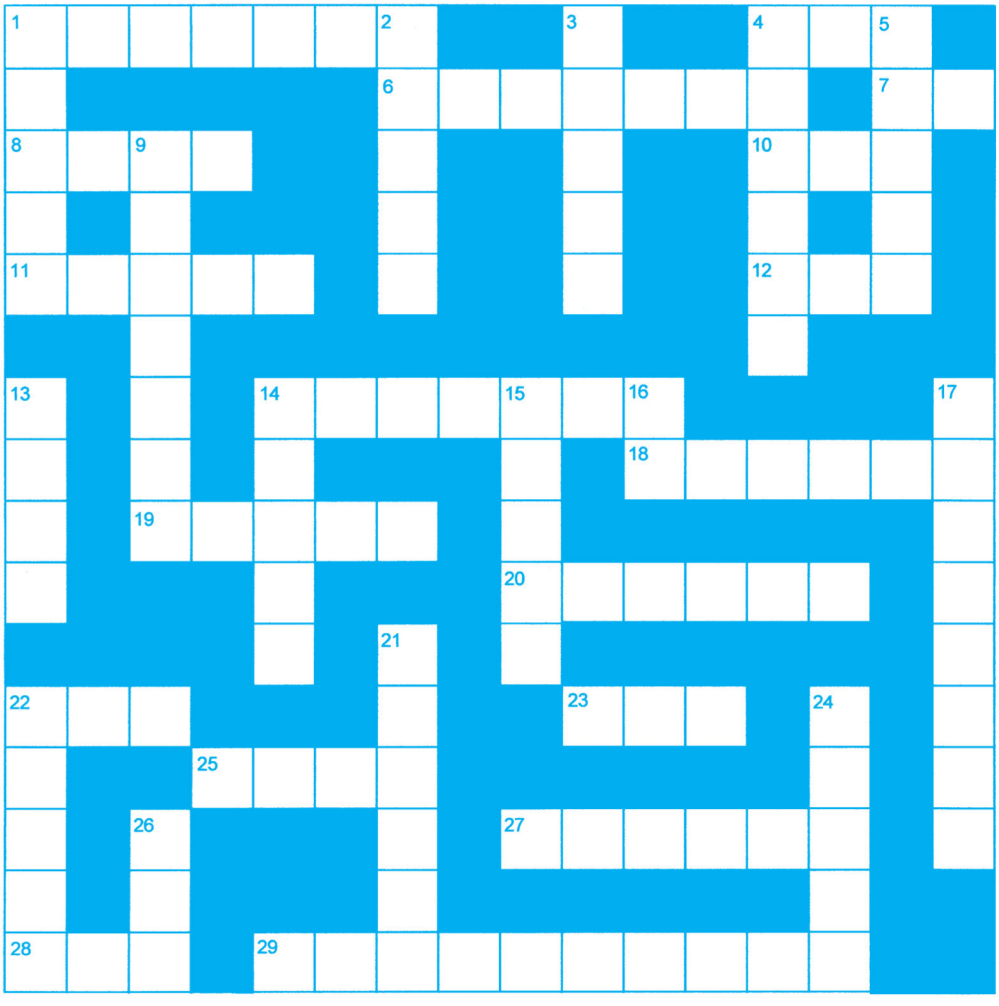

FREEDOM FIGHTERS, MEET MY MOM AND SKEETER.
IT'S OUR PLEASURE!

YOU DID IT, SONIC!
WE DID IT, ROTOR!
FWAP


I'M STARVING!
YOU LIKE FROZEN DINNERS?
WHAT DO YOU GUYS HAVE TO MUNCH ON AROUND HERE?
DO "CHILLY" DOGS COUNT?

MEANWHILE...
I HATE THAT HEDGEHOG!
THE END

SONIC THE HEDGEHOG CROSSWORD PUZZLE



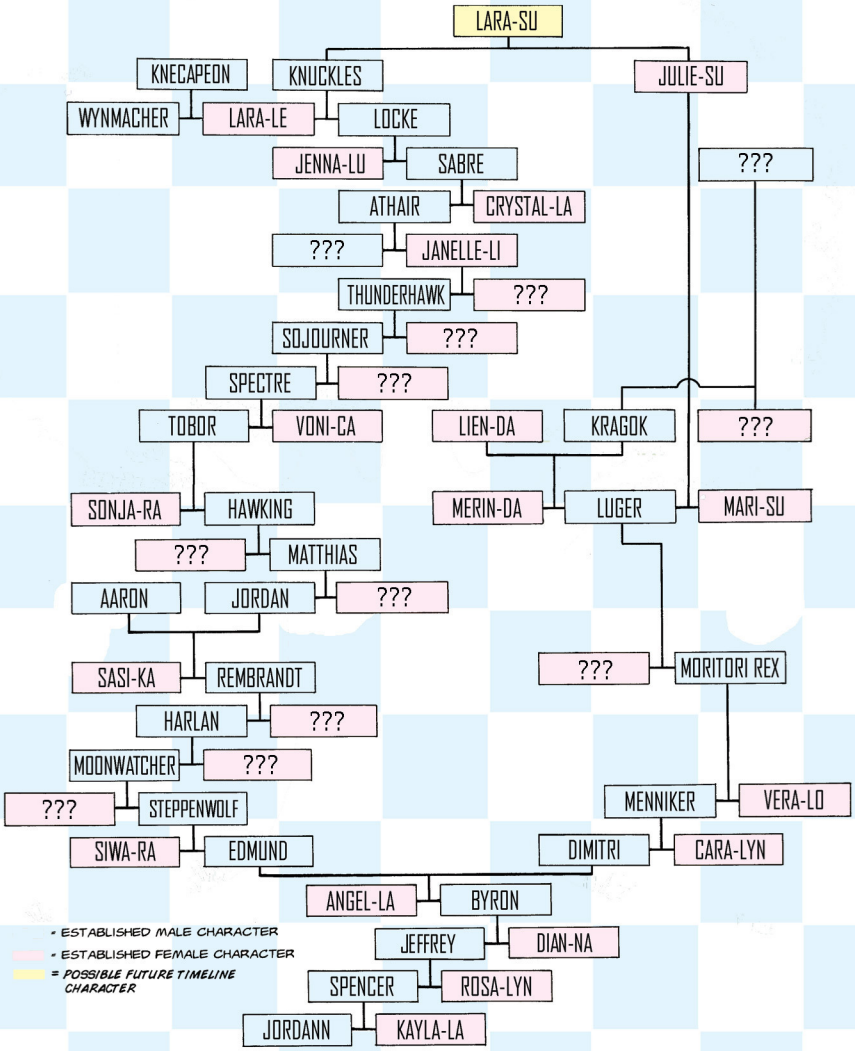
ACROSS

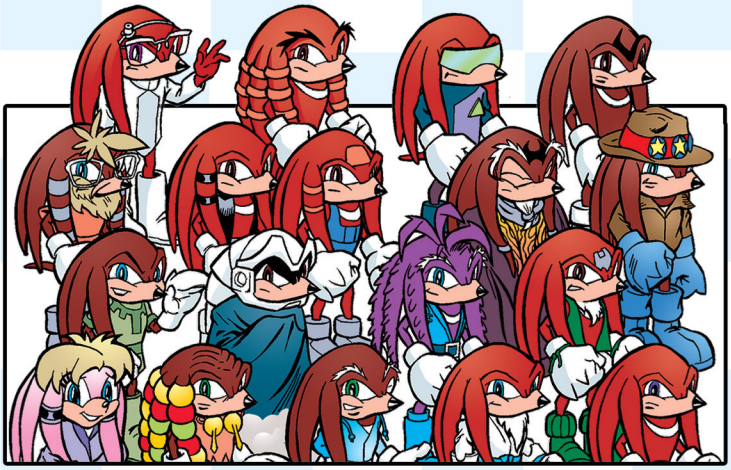
1. Robotnik's nephew
4. Charmy _____
6. Bunnie's significant other
7. Julie-_____
8. _____ the Weasel
10. Vector loves to _____.
11. _____ emerald
12. Dr. _____ Robotnik
14. Edmund's brother
18. Geoffrey _____.
19. Princess _____
20. The Dark _____
22. Renfield the _____
23. _____ Rose
25. Vector is one
27. Bunnie _____
28. The Death _____ Saga
29. Mobian human

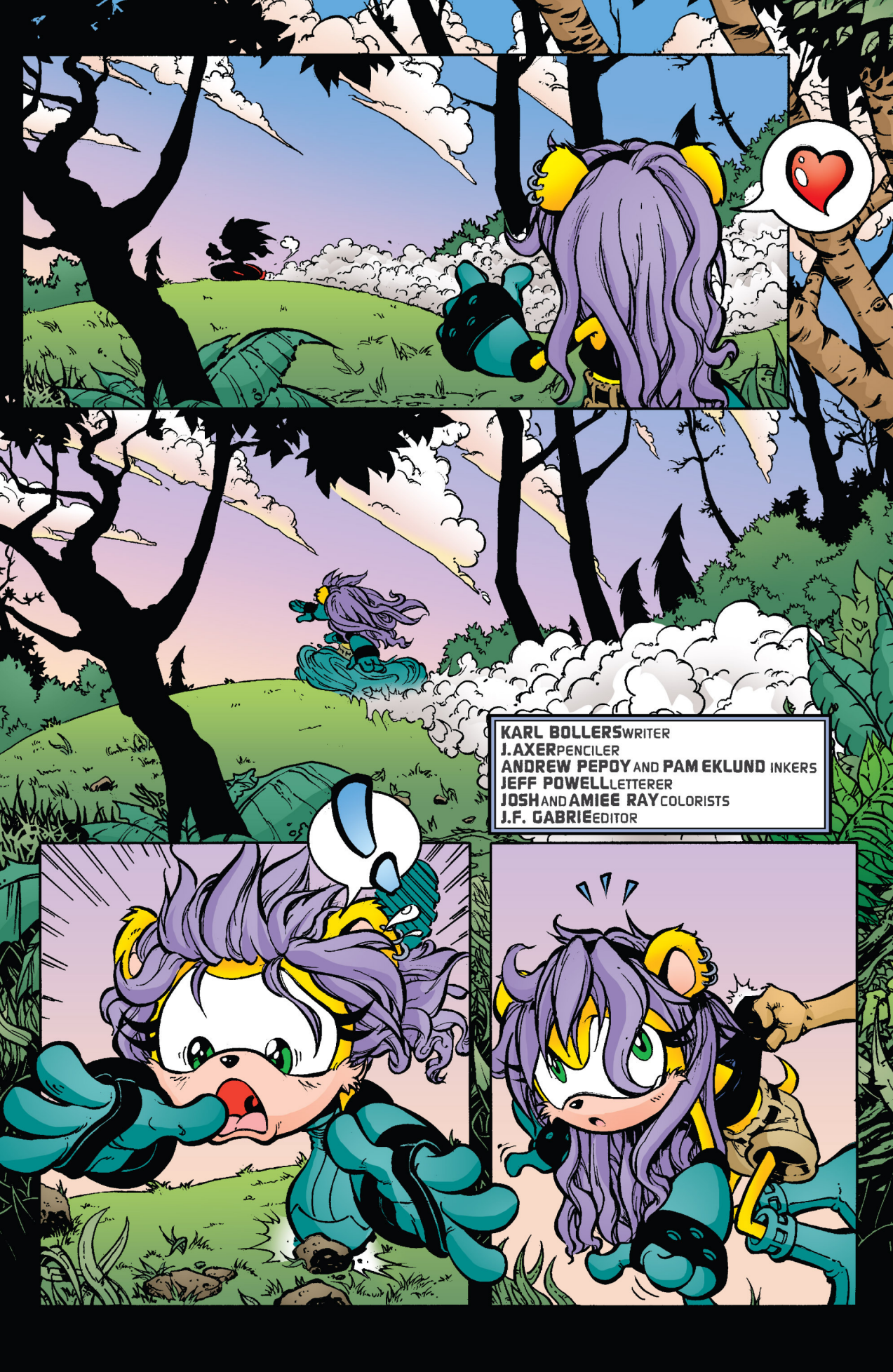
DOWN

2. Athair's replacement
3. Zone cop
4. Sonic's mother
5. _____ the chameleon
9. Sir _____ Hedgehog
13. She led the wolfpack
14. _____ the dragon
15. Sonic's best friend
16. The Floating _____ (abbrev.)
17. _____ the echidna
21. Sally's hand-held friend
22. Sally's nanny
24. _____ the walrus
26. _____ the cat

THE BROTHERHOOD OF GUARDIANS



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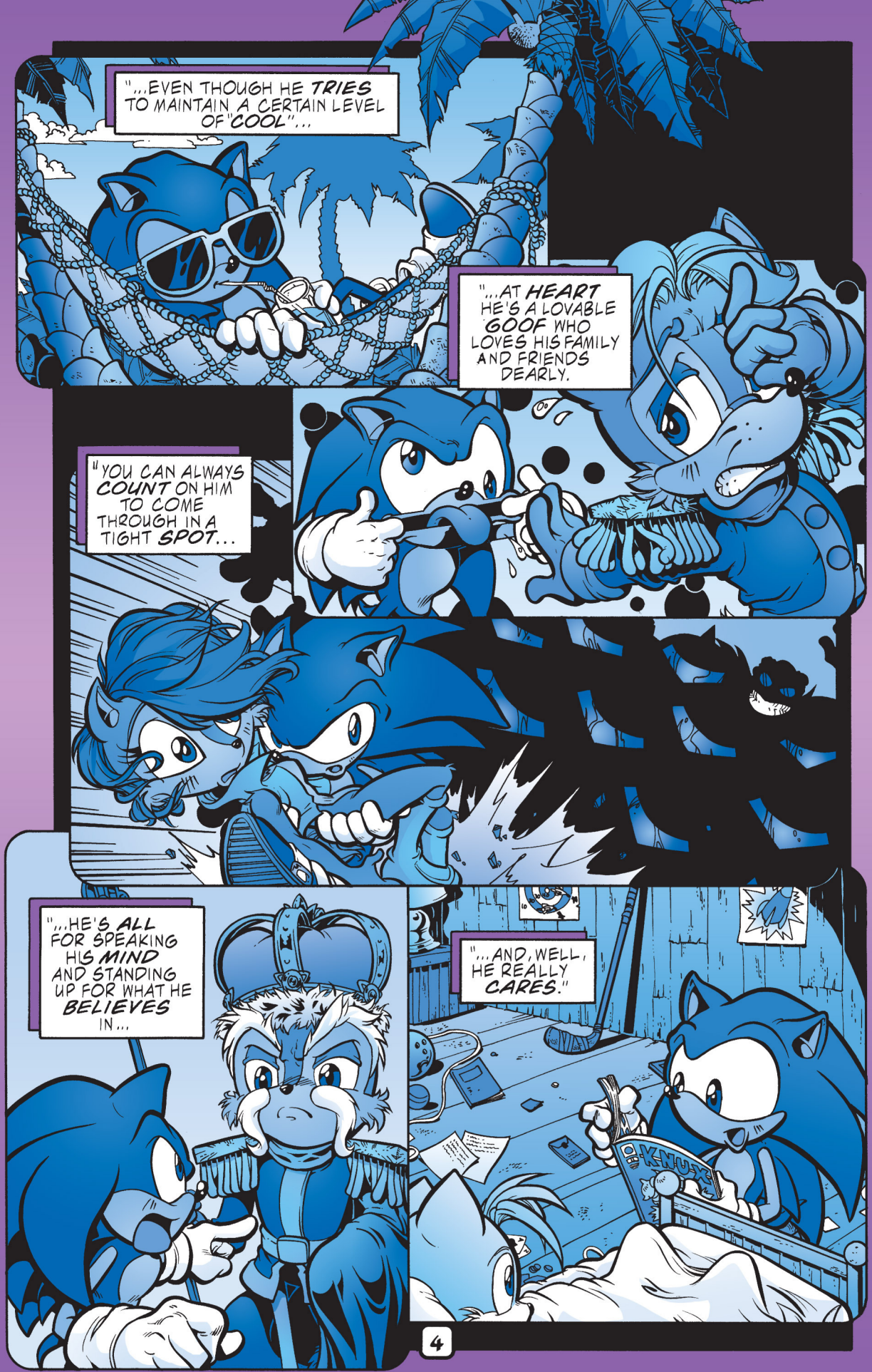
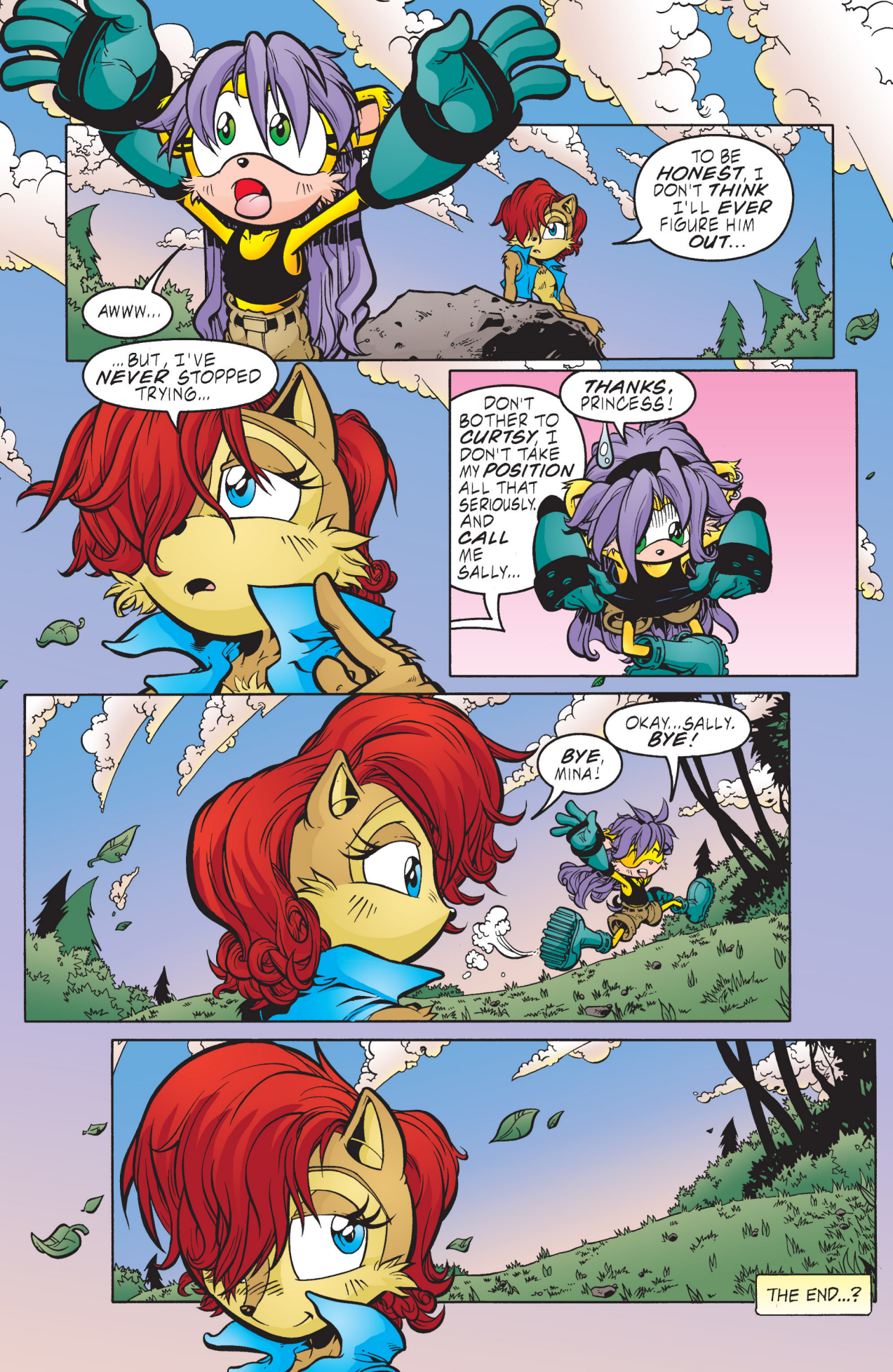
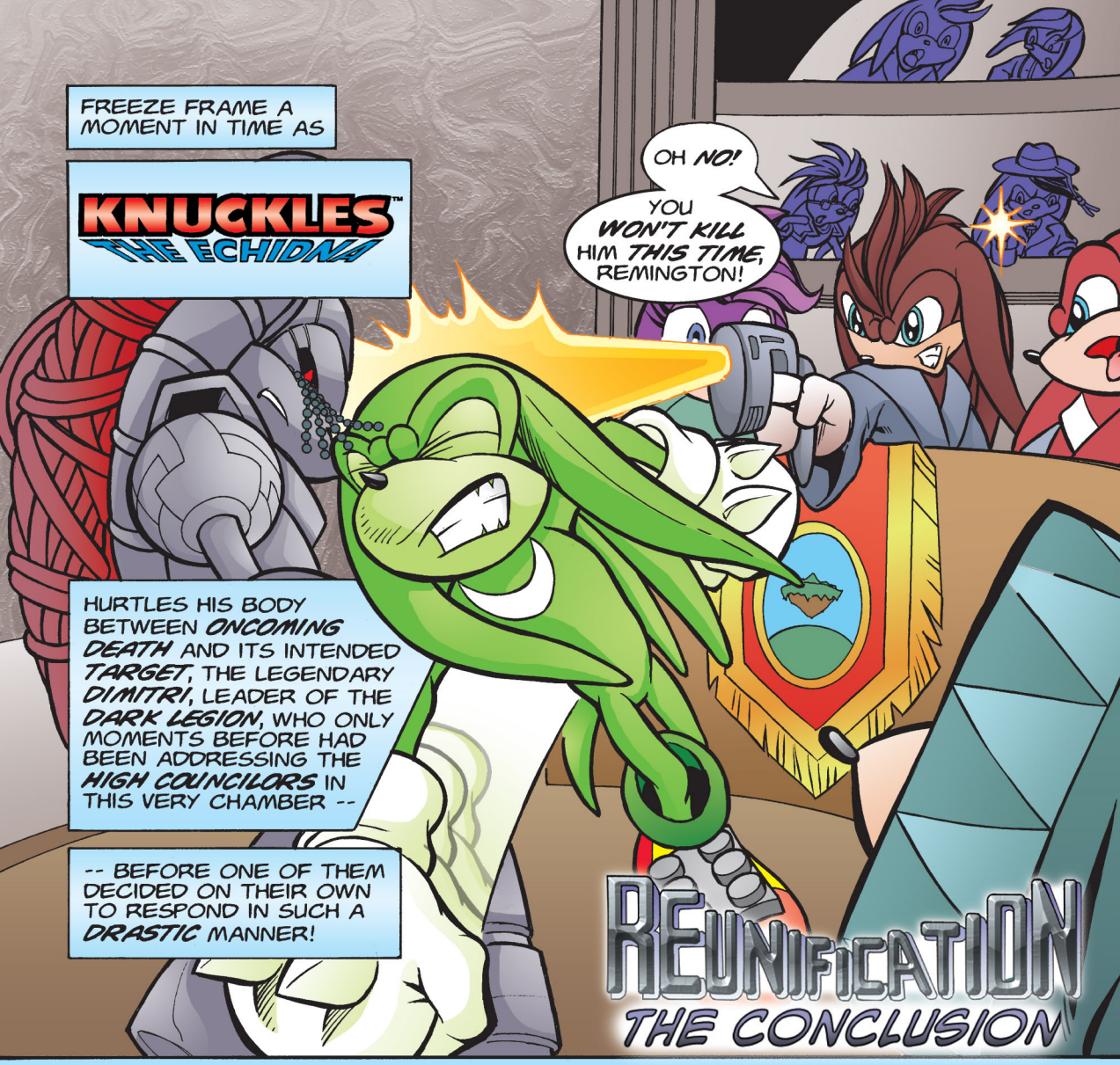
"...THE CRUSH!"
PRINCESS?!
BE CAREFUL, MINA--KEEPING UP WITH SONIC ISN'T EASY!
I TRY TO GET HIS ATTENTION, BUT IT'S NO USE.
I DON'T UNDERSTAND. WHAT'S WRONG?
YOU SAID IT!

I EVEN KISSED HIM, BUT HE SEEMED MORE SURPRISED THAN PLEASED!*
*IN ISSUE #99
YOU MEAN THAT... YOU TWO AREN'T DATING?
AS IF! I CAN'T KEEP UP WITH HIS SPEED OR HIS RUDE-BOY ATTITUDE!
YOU'VE KNOWN SONIC LONGER THAN ANYONE, PRINCESS. WHAT MAKES HIM TICK?
WELL...


"...EVEN THOUGH HE TRIES TO MAINTAIN A CERTAIN LEVEL OF "COOL"...
"...AT HEART HE'S A LOVABLE GOOF WHO LOVES HIS FAMILY AND FRIENDS DEARLY.
"YOU CAN ALWAYS COUNT ON HIM TO COME THROUGH IN A TIGHT SPOT...
"...HE'S ALL FOR SPEAKING HIS MIND AND STANDING UP FOR WHAT HE BELIEVES IN...
"...AND, WELL, HE REALLY CARES."
O-KNUX


TO BE HONEST, I DON'T THINK I'LL EVER FIGURE HIM OUT...
AWWW...
...BUT, I'VE NEVER STOPPED TRYING...
THANKS, PRINCESS!
DON'T BOTHER TO CURTSY. I DON'T TAKE MY POSITION ALL THAT SERIOUSLY. AND CALL ME SALLY...
OKAY...SALLY. BYE!
BYE, MINA!
THE END...?


FREEZE FRAME A MOMENT IN TIME AS
KNUCKLES THE ECHIDNA
OH NO! YOU WON'T KILL HIM THIS TIME, REMINGTON!
HURTLES HIS BODY BETWEEN ONCOMING DEATH AND ITS INTENDED TARGET, THE LEGENDARY DIMITRI, LEADER OF THE DARK LEGION, WHO ONLY MOMENTS BEFORE HAD BEEN ADDRESSING THE HIGH COUNCILORS IN THIS VERY CHAMBER --
-- BEFORE ONE OF THEM DECIDED ON THEIR OWN TO RESPOND IN SUCH A DRASTIC MANNER!
REUNIFICATION
THE CONCLUSION

AND IF YOU NEED ANYMORE TO GO ON --

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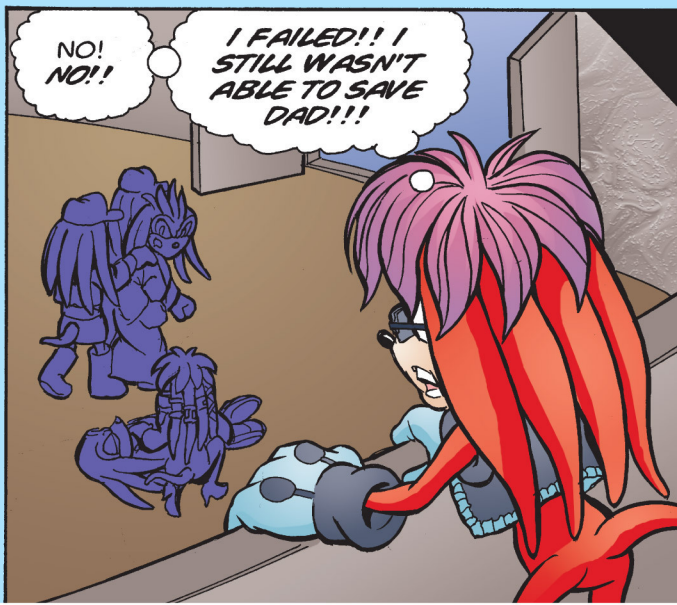
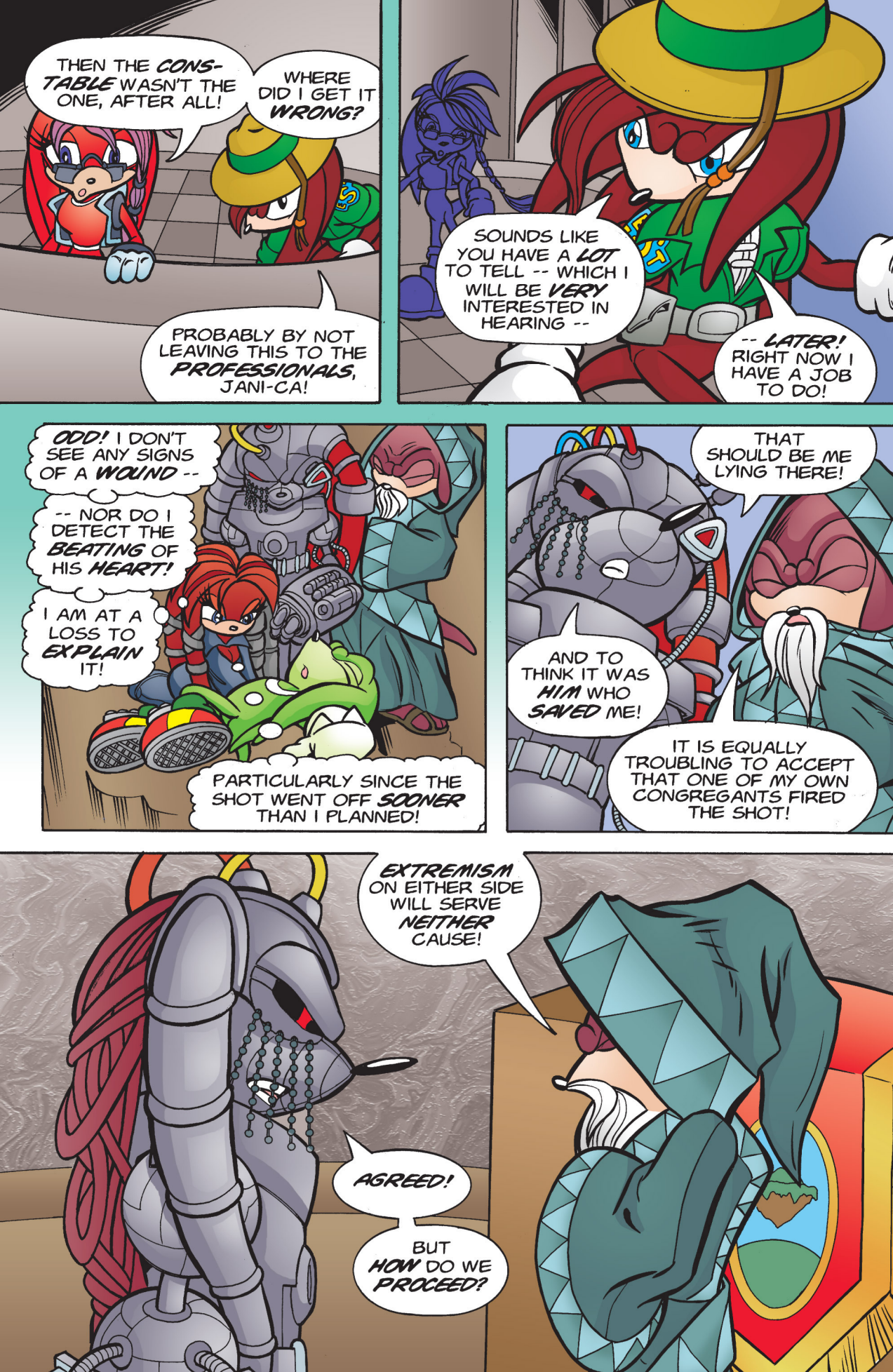
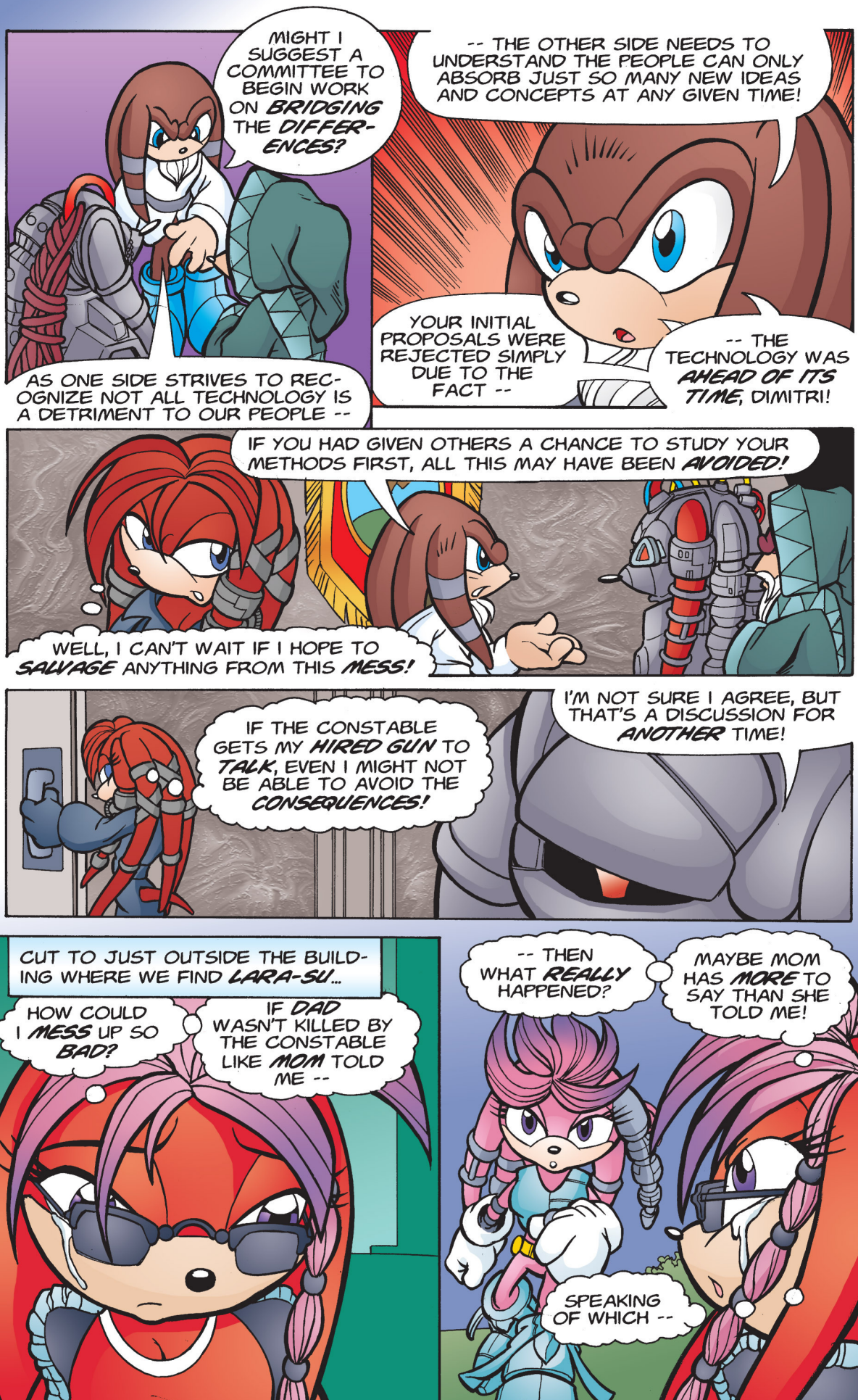
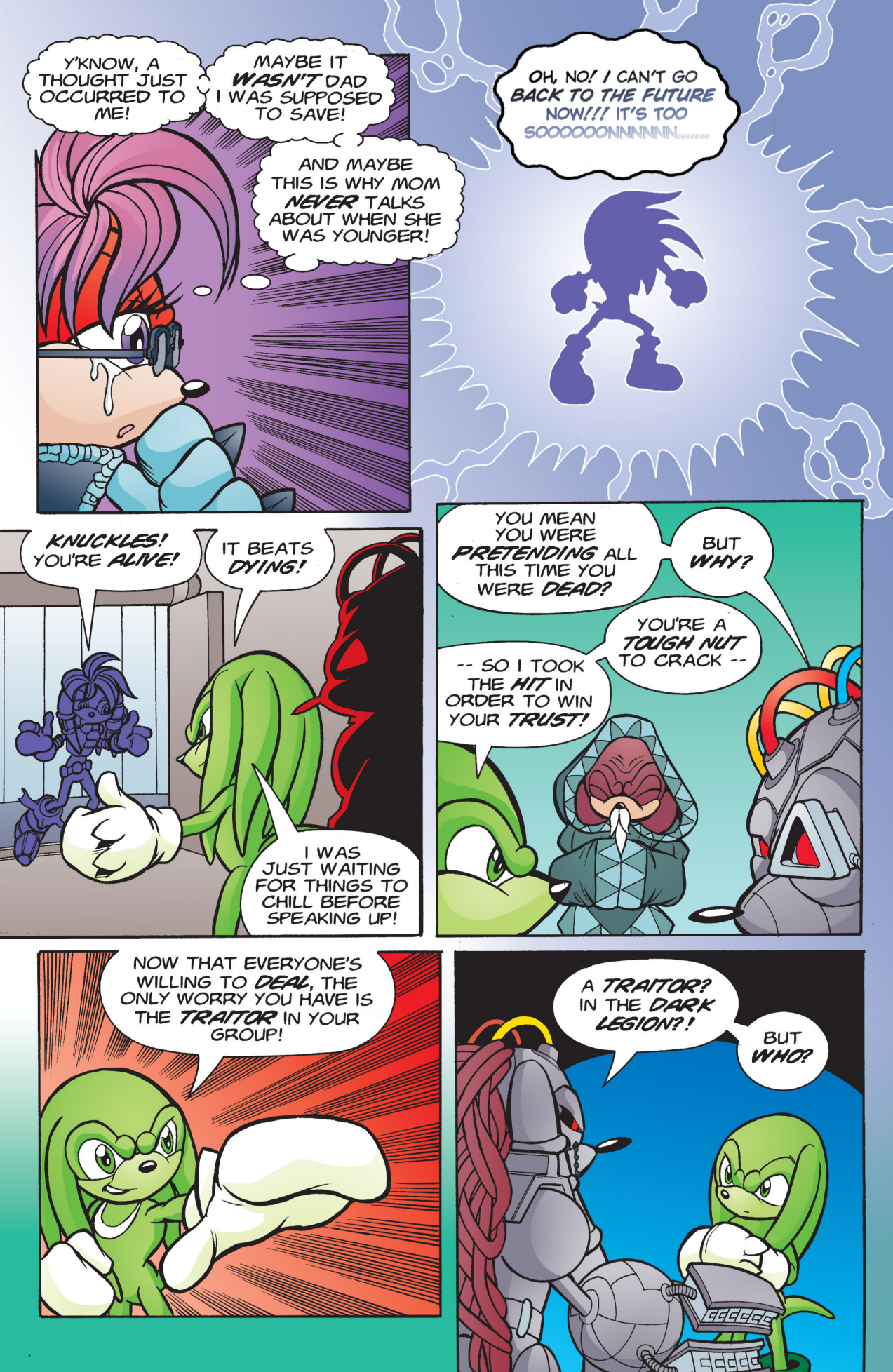
-- WILL FILL IN THE BLANKS AS ANOTHER CHAPTER OF EVERYONE'S FAVORITE ECHIDNA NOW UNFOLDS!

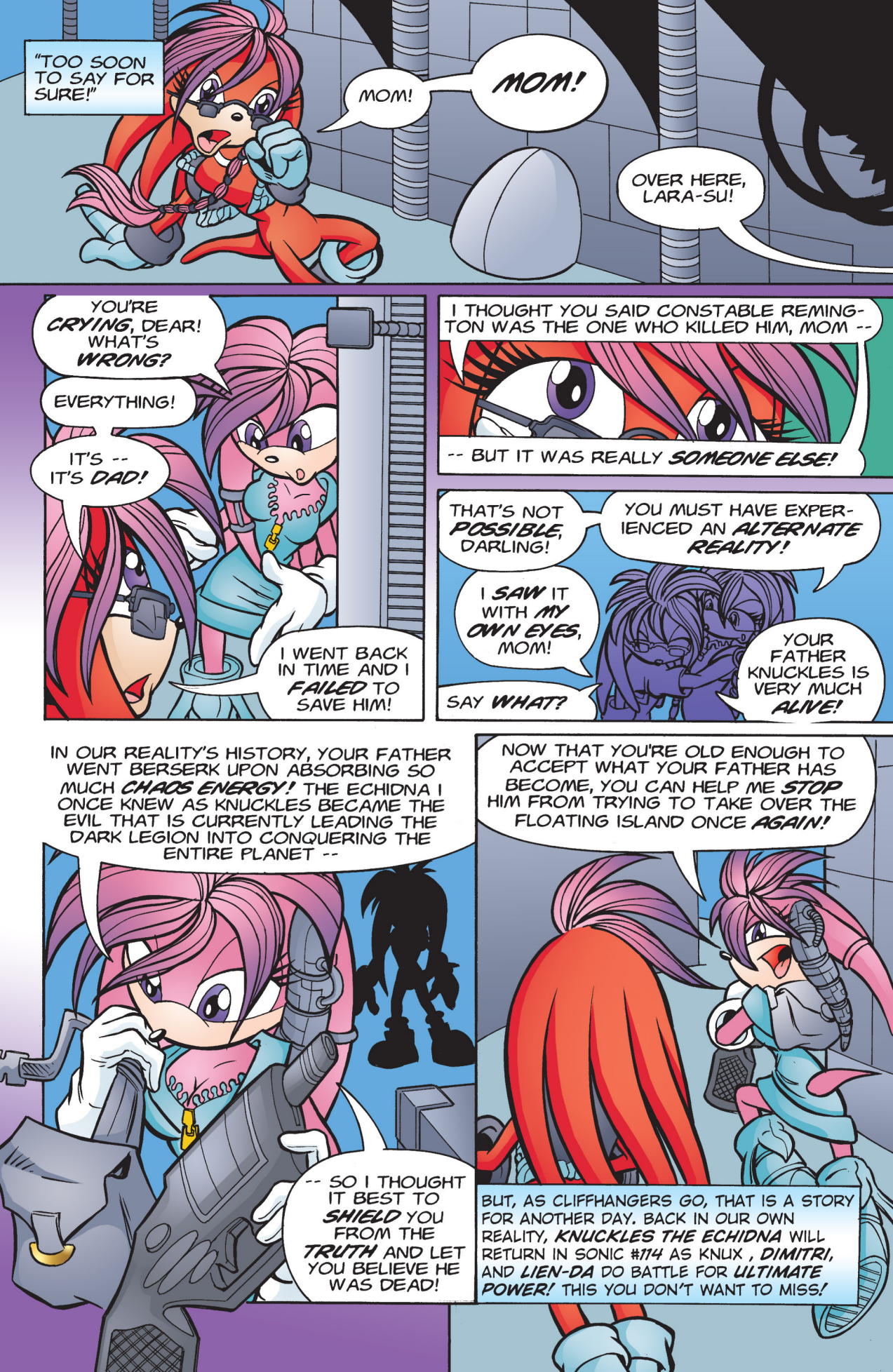



THEN THE CONS-TABLE WASN'T THE ONE, AFTER ALL!
WHERE DID I GET IT WRONG?
PROBABLY BY NOT LEAVING THIS TO THE PROFESSIONALS, JANI-CA!
SOUNDS LIKE YOU HAVE A LOT TO TELL -- WHICH I WILL BE VERY INTERESTED IN HEARING --
-- LATER! RIGHT NOW I HAVE A JOB TO DO!
ODD! I DON'T SEE ANY SIGNS OF A WOUND --
-- NOR DO I DETECT THE BEATING OF HIS HEART!
I AM AT A LOSS TO EXPLAIN IT!
PARTICULARLY SINCE THE SHOT WENT OFF SOONER THAN I PLANNED!
THAT SHOULD BE ME LYING THERE!
AND TO THINK IT WAS HIM WHO SAVED ME!
IT IS EQUALLY TROUBLING TO ACCEPT THAT ONE OF MY OWN CONGREGANTS FIRED THE SHOT!
EXTREMISM ON EITHER SIDE WILL SERVE NEITHER CAUSE!
AGREED!
BUT HOW DO WE PROCEED?


MIGHT I SUGGEST A COMMITTEE TO BEGIN WORK ON BRIDGING THE DIFFERENCES?
AS ONE SIDE STRIVES TO RECOGNIZE NOT ALL TECHNOLOGY IS A DETRIMENT TO OUR PEOPLE --
-- THE OTHER SIDE NEEDS TO UNDERSTAND THE PEOPLE CAN ONLY ABSORB JUST SO MANY NEW IDEAS AND CONCEPTS AT ANY GIVEN TIME!
YOUR INITIAL PROPOSALS WERE REJECTED SIMPLY DUE TO THE FACT --
-- THE TECHNOLOGY WAS AHEAD OF ITS TIME, DIMITRI!
IF YOU HAD GIVEN OTHERS A CHANCE TO STUDY YOUR METHODS FIRST, ALL THIS MAY HAVE BEEN AVOIDED!
WELL, I CAN'T WAIT IF I HOPE TO SALVAGE ANYTHING FROM THIS MESS!
IF THE CONSTABLE GETS MY HIRED GUN TO TALK, EVEN I MIGHT NOT BE ABLE TO AVOID THE CONSEQUENCES!
I'M NOT SURE I AGREE, BUT THAT'S A DISCUSSION FOR ANOTHER TIME!
CUT TO JUST OUTSIDE THE BUILDING WHERE WE FIND LARA-SU...
HOW COULD I MESS UP SO BAD?
IF DAD WASN'T KILLED BY THE CONSTABLE LIKE MOM TOLD ME --
-- THEN WHAT REALLY HAPPENED?
MAYBE MOM HAS MORE TO SAY THAN SHE TOLD ME!
SPEAKING OF WHICH --

WHAT AM I SAYING?!!
SHE'S NOT MY MOM -- AT LEAST NOT YET!!
ARE YOU IN POSITION, SYNTAR?
TIME TRAVEL CAN REALLY WEIRD ONE OUT!
SAAAY -- WHAT'S GOING ON WITH HER?
JUST SAY THE WORD, KOMMISSAR, AND IT'LL BE OVER AND OUT FOR OUR PIGEON!
HOLD IT! ONE OF OUR OWN JUST ENTERED THE PICTURE!
ONE OF OUR -- WHO?!
"IT LOOKS LIKE JULIE-SU!"
"TALK ABOUT TWO FOR THE PRICE OF ONE, SYNTAR! ON MY COMMAND --
WHAAAM!
-- TAKE THEM BOTH DOWN!!
I DON'T THINK SO!
ALTHOUGH WHY ANYONE WOULD WANT TO HURT MY MOM IS BEYOND ME!


Y'KNOW, A THOUGHT JUST OCCURRED TO ME!
MAYBE IT WASN'T DAD I WAS SUPPOSED TO SAVE!
AND MAYBE THIS IS WHY MOM NEVER TALKS ABOUT WHEN SHE WAS YOUNGER!
OH, NO! I CAN'T GO BACK TO THE FUTURE NOW!!! IT'S TOO SOOOOOONNNNNN.....
KNUCKLES! YOU'RE ALIVE!
IT BEATS DYING!
I WAS JUST WAITING FOR THINGS TO CHILL BEFORE SPEAKING UP!
YOU MEAN YOU WERE PRETENDING ALL THIS TIME YOU WERE DEAD?
BUT WHY?
YOU'RE A TOUGH NUT TO CRACK --
-- SO I TOOK THE HIT IN ORDER TO WIN YOUR TRUST!
NOW THAT EVERYONE'S WILLING TO DEAL, THE ONLY WORRY YOU HAVE IS THE TRAITOR IN YOUR GROUP!
A TRAITOR? IN THE DARK LEGION?!
BUT WHO?


"TOO SOON TO SAY FOR SURE!"
MOM!
MOM!
OVER HERE, LARA-SU!
YOU'RE CRYING, DEAR! WHAT'S WRONG?
EVERYTHING!
IT'S -- IT'S DAD!
I WENT BACK IN TIME AND I FAILED TO SAVE HIM!
I THOUGHT YOU SAID CONSTABLE REMINGTON WAS THE ONE WHO KILLED HIM, MOM --
-- BUT IT WAS REALLY SOMEONE ELSE!
THAT'S NOT POSSIBLE, DARLING!
YOU MUST HAVE EXPERIENCED AN ALTERNATE REALITY!
I SAW IT WITH MY OWN EYES, MOM!
SAY WHAT?
YOUR FATHER KNUCKLES IS VERY MUCH ALIVE!
IN OUR REALITY'S HISTORY, YOUR FATHER WENT BERSERK UPON ABSORBING SO MUCH CHAOS ENERGY! THE ECHIDNA I ONCE KNEW AS KNUCKLES BECAME THE EVIL THAT IS CURRENTLY LEADING THE DARK LEGION INTO CONQUERING THE ENTIRE PLANET --
-- SO I THOUGHT IT BEST TO SHIELD YOU FROM THE TRUTH AND LET YOU BELIEVE HE WAS DEAD!
NOW THAT YOU'RE OLD ENOUGH TO ACCEPT WHAT YOUR FATHER HAS BECOME, YOU CAN HELP ME STOP HIM FROM TRYING TO TAKE OVER THE FLOATING ISLAND ONCE AGAIN!
BUT, AS CLIFFHANGERS GO, THAT IS A STORY FOR ANOTHER DAY. BACK IN OUR OWN REALITY, KNUCKLES THE ECHIDNA WILL RETURN IN SONIC #114 AS KNUX , DIMITRI, AND LIEN-DA DO BATTLE FOR ULTIMATE POWER! THIS YOU DON'T WANT TO MISS!